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Lists of the articles required can be seen at this office and at the asylum, at which latter place samples can also be inspected.

All supplies to be delivered at the asylum without extra charge.

Security for the due performance of the contract will be required in each case.

A. CAMPBELL REDDIE, Deputy Provincial Secretary.
Provincial Secretary's Office, 19th May, 1897. my21

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The undersigned having leased the Victoria Gardens, begs to announce that they are now opened, and respectfully solicits your patronage.
my21 W. E. HOLMES.

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GREECE'S INDEMNITY.

Ralli Says His Country Will Pay Turkey But Cede No Territory.

Messages Between the Czar and Sultan That Stopped the Turkish Advance.

LONDON, May 20.—A dispatch from Constantinople gives the text of the Czar's message to the Sultan asking for the cessation of hostilities as follows: "Your Imperial Majesty will not feel astonished by the fact that, encouraged by the evidence of sincere friendship and neighborly feeling which exists between us, I take upon myself the task of addressing to Your August Sensibility my earnest expression of the wish that you will crown the heroic successes of your soldiers by a suspension of hostilities. This is a course which will be in entire accord with the firmness and peaceful moderation you evinced at the commencement of the campaign. Your Imperial Majesty will thus accomplish an act which will be entirely in conformity with wisdom and moderation and which will serve to still further augment the respect and admiration you personally inspire and of which I will forever retain in memory. I pray your Imperial Majesty to be good enough to believe in my unalterable friendship."

The Sultan replied, expressing lively and sincere thanks, and informing the Czar that he had ordered the Turkish commanders to stop fighting. In conclusion the Sultan said: "I pray your Imperial Majesty also to take into consideration that I was for friendly intervention of the powers to assure the reestablishment of peace, having for its result the safeguarding the rights and prestige of my government and the maintenance of general peace."

ATHENS, May 20.—Crown Prince Constantine to-day had a long conference by telegraph from Lamia with Premier Ralli. Ralli in the course of an interview to-day, said; "The indemnity which Greece will pay Turkey will be in proportion to the resources of Greece and her financial position. The cession of territory is out of the question. Greece cannot accept a modification of the strategic frontier, which would render easy the raiding of Greek territory by armed bands and which would compel Greece to maintain a numerous army in order to prevent such incursions."

EATON'S BURNED OUT.

The Great Department Stores in Toronto Destroyed by Fire.

TORONTO, May 20.—(Special)—The departmental store of John Eaton & Co. was totally destroyed by fire to-day. The damage to the firm is placed at $220,000; insurance, roughly, $225,000. Three hundred employes are out of work, and lined the street this morning in front of the vacant spot where the building had stood. Other losses are: The Monarch Cycle Company, $3,500; W. H. Johnson, proprietor photograph gallery, $2,000; Dentist Wyckoff, $1,000; Fairweather & Co., $19,000; insured for $15,000.

C.P.R. APPOINTMENTS.

Wm. Downey Retains His Present Position at Vancouver.

WINNIPEG, May 20.—(Special)—In recording appointments announced on the Pacific division of the C.P.R. an error was made as to the location of Mr. Beasley, who was mentioned as superintendent of the Vancouver subdivision. A new subdivision has been created of branch lines in Kootenay district known as Nelson division, and Mr. Beasley has been appointed to this division, with headquarters at Nelson. Wm. Downey, the present divisional superintendent at Vancouver, is retained in that position.

ANOTHER POINT ELLICE CASE.

Trial of Patterson v. City of Victoria Opens in Vancouver.

VANCOUVER, May 20.—(Special)—The second case against the city for damages on account of the Point Ellice bridge accident opened to-day. It is Patterson v. City of Victoria, in which Mrs. Patterson sues the city for the death of her husband, who was a victim of the bridge accident. Besides a widow he left three children. The evidence is to a large extent similar to that in the Gordon case. The tramway company are not included in the suit.

ONTARIO LEGISLATION.

An Early Dissolution of the House Looked for.

TORONTO, May 20.—(Special)—The Telegram to-night says all signs points strongly to an early dissolution of the Ontario legislature.

ANOTHER INDUSTRY CLOSED.

Montreal Sugar Refinery Closes Its Doors Because of the Tariff.

MONTREAL, May 20.—(Special)—The Montreal sugar refinery, employing 280 men, has found it impossible to continue under present circumstances, so an order to close down has been given out.

Lawn mowers and rubber hose at the Cheapside. *

Children's suits only $1.45. At Marks, 109, 111 Gov't street. x

SAGASTA IS GLOOMY.

He Draws a Blue Ruin Picture of Spain's Position To-Day.

MADRID, May 19.—At a meeting of Liberal senators and deputies to-day, Senor Sagasta, the former premier, made an important speech, in the course of which he said: "We have 200,000 troops in Cuba, but we are not even masters of the territory trodden by our soldiers. At the same moment Carlism is organizing itself in the peninsula, and menaces us, thanks to the immunity it enjoys, while the seeds of separatism are germinating in some of the provinces. The picture could not be glowing. We have war in Cuba and in the Philippines, and we have attempts at civil war at home. The government is not responsible for them, but it is unfortunate in its administration. Reform in Cuba will now solve the question." The speech, which was greatly applauded, portends stormy sitting for both chambers. Many liberals predict that Senator Canovas will be thrown from power within a fortnight. Political passions are thoroughly aroused.

FAST LINE CONTRACT

Has Been Confirmed By the Imperial Government as Well as Canada.

Building of the Fleet Will Begin at Once—Jubilee Postage Stamps.

OTTAWA, May 20.—(Special)—The fast Atlantic line contract is at last an accomplished fact. A cablegram was received this afternoon from Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, colonial secretary, stating that the contract for the fast Atlantic service signed with Messrs. Peterson, Late & Company, of Newcastle, had been accepted by the Imperial authorities. The contract only waited confirmation of the Imperial government and the admiralty subvention. This being now granted the firm will at once proceed to build their fleet.

Mr. Mulock informed the house that Jubilee postage stamps of all denominations will be issued about June 29. The supply will last about three months. Only one set will be given away and that to the Duke of York.

A special estimate for the Jubilee contingent was passed this afternoon. Mr. Sutherland suggested that a reasonable allowance be given officers who will accompany the Premier.

The government thought officers were being fairly well provided for. If necessary the government would ask parliament for a further sum.

The contract with the Bank Note Company was discussed by Mr. Foster, who severely scored the government for allowing them to do a portion of the work outside of the Dominion.

Casey's bicycle bill passed the railway committee this morning by a vote of 46 to 21, despite the strenuous opposition of the railway companies.

INDEPENDENCE OF CUBA.

That is What Mr. Hitt Claims McKinley is Aiming At.

WASHINGTON, May 20.—Cuban affairs furnished the house with a day of bitter partisan debate. On the resolution appropriating $50,000 for the relief of Americans citizens, the Democrats endeavored to enforce consideration also of the Morgan resolution for recognition of the belligerency of the insurgents, but were beaten. They accused the Republicans of endeavoring to evade the issue, but the dominant party, through its spokesman, Mr. Hitt, made the important statement that the Republicans desired not to embarrass negotiations which were being projected by President McKinley to secure the independence of Cuba. While Mr. Hitt disclaimed presidential authority for his statement, it was well known that he had been in consultation with Mr. McKinley on the question and knew whereof he spoke.

ITALY IN AFRICA.

A Limited Sphere Will Be Held, But Immediate Evacuation Is Impossible.

ROME, May 20.—In the chamber of deputies to-day the future of Erythrea, the Italian colony on the Red Sea, was the subject of a long debate. The minister of war said the government proposed to limit the Italian sphere in that quarter to a triangle bounded by lines through Massowah, Asmara and Keren. The Marquis di Rudini, the premier, said that immediate evacuation was out of the question.

ANGLERS—See our window for fishing tackle. Flies and casts a specialty. Examine our stock, at Fox's, 78 Government street. x

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TO OR OVER THE POLE

Andree and Companions Shortly to Embark on Their Venturesome Voyage.

Indians of Northern British Columbia Should Now Invest In Field Glasses.

Since the Nashville inventor of the flying machine has proved by practical demonstration that flying machines will fly, the skeptical world will be inclined to look with less suspicion upon Professor Andree's long discussed proposal to reach the North Pole by means of a balloon. It was the intention of the Swedish aeronaut originally, to have started last year on his adventurous expedition into space, but unfavorable conditions of wind currents, and later on, wet and tempestuous weather prevented the consummation of his plan. The Indians of Northern British Columbia, not knowing of the postponement, strained their eyes in looking for the balloon that came not to them, until by reason of much expectation they they really imagined that they saw men and great scientific purposes in every passing cloud—and duly reported accordingly to their agents and guardians.

But time proved their errors, and much to the disgust of the red men of the north they were finally informed that they might give over sky-gazing for a time, as the departure of the air ship from Spitzbergen had been indefinitely delayed.

Now the order has again gone forth to be on the look-out, and the next few months should produce a large and interesting volume of well authenticated reports from the most credible and reliable chiefs of the northland. If the white men can see flying machines in the air why should not the Siwash be allowed to view balloons?

As was the case last summer, the Provincial and Dominion authorities have again this spring been communicated with by the officers of the Swedish government, and have been urged by the home authorities to lend Prof. Andree and his associates every possible assistance should chance drive them at any time in the direction of this province. The Indians are to be once more notified to be on the watch, and if the Swedish scientists come near British Columbia it may be counted upon that the world will not be long deprived of news of their arrival.

According to the latest arrangements, Canada's Dominion Day is set as the date for the departure this year from Spitzbergen, and Professor Andree will be accompanied by but two brother scientists, Mr. Nils Strindberg, aged 25, and Mr. Knut Hjalmar Ferdinand Fraenkel, aged 27. In the event of either of these gentlemen being unable to take the venturesome voyage his place will be filled by Mr. Gustaf Wilhelm Olaf Emanuel Swedenborg, aged 28. Probably all three would have been permitted to enjoy the strange excursion but for the danger of their names over-ballasting the balloon, and preventing the success of Professor Andre's cherished experiment. He is more firmly convinced than ever of the practicability of his plan since receiving the accurate and up-to-date information laid before the scientific world through Nansen's recent expedition. Starting on July 1, if all goes well, the balloonist expects to reach the pole itself and be back in his native land before August—so greatly superior does he consider aerial to all other navigation in the exploration of the vastnesses of the frozen north.

The Swedish government having particularly requested that all possible publicity should be given Professor Andree's intentions, a second notice to the public is now appearing in the British Columbia Gazette, in which "Her Majesty's loyal subjects throughout this Dominion are notified in the premises and are requested to give the explorers, should an opportunity present itself, all the help in their power. If the balloon be seen only and no communication be had with the exploring party, it is requested that the following particulars may be noted and communicated either to a local newspaper or to some learned body, namely: the day and the hour in which the balloon was seen, the direction of the balloon, and the direction of the wind. Should any accident befall the explorers and should they arrive in any locality having lost the balloon, the inhabitants are asked to give them all possible assistance."

INSPECTOR SWEET.

Has Started On His Annual Visit to the Post Offices of the West.

TORONTO, Ont., May 20.—(Special)—M. Sweet, chief postoffice inspector, left here yesterday on an official visit to Manitoba and British Columbia.

Extra fine black sateen; also fine flannelette shirts, regular price $1; only 50c. At the workingmen's store, 109 and 111 government street. x

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Contain No Odor of Nicotine.
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And Retain Fire. . . . . .

AT MORRIS'.

WHAT PEOPLE SAY.

Farmers Must Feed If They Want to Have Profitable Dairy Stock.

Could Not Some Good Fodder Plant Be Introduced on Wild Lands?

To THE EDITOR:—Having access only to the semi-weekly edition of the COLONIST, I was prevented from seeing "Wild Land's" answer to mine and from replying to it before this. I feel sure that you will be good enough to allow me space to answer it, firstly, because of the importance of the subject, and secondly because of the string of misrepresentations that he has thought fit to use. Before going further I will say that with regard to his first inference he is quite right, I do not own any wild land; but with regard to his second inference he is quite wrong, for to say that "I know next door to nothing of the wild lands of which I wrote," when I live next door to them, having driven over all the roads and used nearly all the trails, is certainly rather wide of the mark. The general public who take an interest in this subject of decreased importation of butter and increased home supply of the same, are the judges as to the competency of "Wild Land" with no cognomen or address attached to his thoughts or myself who lives in the district spoken of, and makes ends meet by dairying and the management of cattle. My statements are misrepresented in "Wild Land's" letter. I did not state that May and June and possibly a month in the fall are the only months in which there is grazing on the wild lands. What I did write and stick to is that those are the only months when dairy cattle, cows giving milk for butter production, can graze and be profitable without added feed of some sort, either coarse or concentrated. If "Wild Land" wants to keep store stock he can graze them for more months than these, as I stated in my letter; but, sir, you started the discussion of butter importation, and I have attempted to keep to the question and not shelve it as has been done by "Wild Land." Neither have I advocated the taking away of the wild land from its owners, I suggested and thoroughly believe that the wild land should be taxed, so as to either cause them to be improved by their present owners or be placed upon the market at reasonable prices, so that others may go in and improve. The tying up of large quantities of wild land for speculative purposes is what is objected to. Now, in this arrangement there is no bullying the owners; they have a distinct alternative and are judges of their own actions in the matter. Is the country to be kept back by the greed of speculators?—a fair question requiring an honest answer. If these lands were improved, i.e., necessary buildings erected for the proper care of cattle during the winter months, swamps drained and any higher lands fit for cultivation, of which I may say without fear of contradiction that there is quite a quantity, cleared and sown down to tame grass, wheat and vetches, etc., in the fall and cut for hay in the early summer, then, sir, wild cows have a chance to show what they can do. During the summer months in this way they can pick up some grass which, supplemented with bran and a little hay or green food, will cause them to give butter, while during the winter months they would be properly fed in barns for the purpose and still continue to supply the markets with that much-needed article. The rainy season, the fall and spring months, are in this way utilized by growing the food for that time of the year when no wild green food exists or certainly not in sufficient quantities to help solve the butter problem. The system that mostly prevails at the present time of producing large amounts of butter for two or three months in the spring and early summer, thereby glutting the market and ruining fixity of prices with a corresponding dearth of butter in the winter would thus be gradually stopped and British Columbia would find, that which Eastern provinces have already admitted that winter dairying pays as well as the summer production of butter. "Wild Land" speaks of the miserable buildings on the wild land. He knows as well as I do that the wild land tax is not put upon land upon which there are improvements, and that I never even suggested the taxing of these "admittedly miserable buildings." No, sir, tax lands that are not improved, not built upon, not attempted to be used for the private and public weal, and thus help those whose taxes truly represent their toil and industry. "Wild Land" evidently has the mining fever very badly when he writes of diamond drills, tons of dynamite and steam derricks, and probably started in to write a letter on mining, a subject that it is to be hoped he more thoroughly understands than he does that of dairying. Corns pinched are very painful things; but, sir, it was quite unnecessary for "Wild Land" to have told us that he had a corn in the shape of wild land; anyone who read his letter would realize that, without applying the X rays. He expresses the belief that our legislators will show more profound knowledge on this subject than myself. I hope, too, sir, that they will always do their best for the province at large, and will take up this subject with many others in a more enlightened, less narrow and less selfish view than does "Wild Land."

W. H. HAYWARD.

Metchosin, May 19, 1897.

To THE EDITOR:—With your permission I will add a little to the remarks I recently made concerning the unnecessary importation of fruit, vegetables, beef, etc. Almost as important as proper grading and careful packing is the ability to keep up a continuous supply of some favorite commodity. In conversation with a large fruit seller yesterday, he told me that he would be only too happy to purchase locally grown fruit, if the sellers would pay proper attention to grading and packing and would keep up the supply in each branch as long as it was in season. Vegetable and fruit sellers must have a full supply of every article always on hand, but this steady, never-failing supply, especially in fruit, is just what they cannot get without appealing to foreign growers. The reason is not far to seek. We are still a young colony; our efforts in fruit culture have been so far tentative, a hard struggle to find out what is best suited to our climate and most acceptable in the market, but by this time I think that we should have arrived at definite conclusions and be prepared to go in for a few standard varieties of profitable quality, and if these few varieties are grown in abundance, properly graded and packed, foreign competition in similar grades should be kept out. There should I think be less mixture in orchards, if a man grows cherries let him produce them in large quantities, of large, medium and late varieties, so that the parties to whom he sells can rely upon him for a steady continuous supply throughout the cherry season, the same with apples, pears, plums, etc. Over production of any one fruit should not be feared now, in face of an increasing population; it is under production which destroys the local chances, because it compels dealers to look to other points for supply. Those energetic fruit growers in the neighborhood of Cedar Hill, I have no doubt could tell us exactly what to grow and how to do it, as far as the island is concerned. In my last I attempted to show that in the production of beef we were somewhat handicapped, in that we had to feed heavily during the winter while our competitors over the border could winter their stock out of doors with very little feeding at all; I referred chiefly to Oregon where I have had a good deal of experience, and certainly their advantage in this respect are considerable. But in British Columbia the proportion of wild land available for stock running is so very large in comparison with the area of cultivable land, that the latter is insufficient to grow enough winter feed for a full head of stock, while meeting at the same time the demands made upon it in other directions. And now let me make a suggestion, which I make in all modesty, as there are many others who know much more of the subject than I do. Is there no fodder which we can introduce into our wild land which will stand the drought better than the wild vetch, and so enable us to fatten stock for a longer time than we can do now? I have on several occasions noticed on fire swept areas in forest lands, the spontaneous growth of a few plants of the clover species, forming good bunches and standing the drought far better than wild vetch. Have others noticed this? Are these chance plants of any recognized variety? I propose to find out if I cannot get up a growth of this clover on an enclosed space where I have burnt off the everlasting sallal, and I shall be very glad to report the result.

WILD LAND.

BLACK BILE AND MELANCHOLY.

The ancient Greeks believed that the soul resided in the liver, and that the chief duty of the liver was to make black bile, and that black bile and melancholy were one and the same thing. We have learned that there are other causes of melancholy than misplaced bile, but few more efficient than a disordered liver. Probably the chief duty of the liver is to burn up, or oxidise, certain substances no longer of use in the body. One of these is uric acid, a product of partially digested food and of worn-out tissue cells—that is, bodily substance. Well, when there is more of this thrown into the liver than it is able to dispose of, it sulks awhile, and then turns everything upside down in its efforts to expel the intruder. This is a bilious attack; and a proneness to such attacks is what Mr. Peter Knight means when he says that he suffered fifteen years from liver complaint and pleurodynia.

Plenty of people who read this little story will thoroughly understand all the experiences, which he and Mr. Sampson after him, briefly describe.

"I felt languid and heavy," says Mr. Knight. "My appetite was variable, and I suffered from a stabbing pain in the left side."

The latter was the *pleurodynia* he mentions—pain in the pleura, an ailment much like neuralgia. When there is inflammation it turns to be what we call pleurisy. In his case there was probably no inflammation.

"I had so much pain," he goes on to say, "which continued month after month, that I felt anxious and consulted a doctor. He gave me medicines and embrocations which eased me for a time, and then I had the pain bad as ever. In this way I remained for a year or more.

"In May, 1881, I read about Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup and the cures it had made in cases like my own. I also knew that my mother-in-law had for years derived benefit from it. I got a bottle from Mr. Chase, the chemist at Slough. After taking two bottles I found relief. The pain gradually wore away and I felt better than ever. Soon *I was cured*, and from that time till now, by taking an occasional dose it always put me right. I always keep a bottle of Mother Seigel's Syrup in the house as a family medicine, and very useful my wife and family find it. You may use this statement as you like. (Signed) Peter Knight, Stoke Poges, Slough, Bucks, June 6, 1896."

"In the summer of 1892," says Mr. Sampson, "I had a bad attack of indigestion, and congestion of the liver. I got medicine from two doctors but it did not benefit me in the least. For three months I continued to suffer. In October, 1891, I read about Mother Seigel's Syrup, I was then living at Hayes, Middlesex. I purchased two bottles from the chemist in High street, Southall. After taking one bottle I found benefit. The gnawing feeling at the chest ceased, and the *melancholy and depression* left me, and I felt brighter, stronger and more active.

"I continued taking the Syrup, and *after I had used five bottles I was cured*, and escaped all the evils of indigestion and liver ailments for a year. Since that time I have kept a bottle of Mother Seigel's Syrup in the house, and if I require medicine I resort to it and get relief. You may use this statement if you think fit to do so. (Signed) Frank E. Sampson, Fearnside, Farnham Royal, Slough, June 5th, 1896."

Two better witnesses than these gentlemen we need not ask for. Mr. Knight is a builder, known and respected in the district; and Mr. Sampson is of equally high repute among the people of Slough and Windsor, where he has resided many years. Both commend the medicine to their friends and acquaintances. No disease has so profound and disastrous an effect upon the mind and spirits as the one from which they suffered—dyspepsia, with its consequence, torpidity of the liver. The mischief wrought by it to body and mind, and hence to the power of thinking and working, is incalculable. It strews all nations with wrecks of men and women. Engrave, then, on your momory these words — *Mother Seigel's Syrup cures it.*

"Ten people out of a dozen are invalids," says a recent medical authority. At least eight out of these ten, it is safe to allow, are suffering from some form of blood-disease which a persistent use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla would be sure to cure. Then don't be an invalid.

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NOTICE OF MEETING.

A special general meeting of the shareholders of the British Columbia Coal, Petroleum & Mineral Company, Limited Liability, will be held at the Company's offices, 45 Fort street, in the city of Victoria, B.C., on Saturday, the 22nd day of May, A.D. 1897, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, to confirm certain agreements made for and on behalf of the Company, and to authorize the Directors to sell the whole of the assets of the Company to the Kootenay Coal Company, Limited, for fully paid up shares in the said Kootenay Coal Company, Limited.

Dated this 21st day of April, 1897.

F. B. PEMBERTON,
ap21 Secretary

NOTICE—The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Van Anda Copper & Gold Company, will be held at the office of the Company, Room 613, Bailey Building, Seattle, Wash., on Tuesday, June 1st, 1897, at 1 p.m.

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DODD'S DYSPEPSIA TABLETS.

NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

Fifth Regiment Contingent for the Jubilee Regiment Given a Send-Off.

Close of the Methodist Conference at Vancouver—Westminster's May Day Fete.

VANCOUVER, May 20.—(Special)—Particulars of the death of the late John Rooney have been received as follows: He was hurrying to catch a train at Revelstoke and over exerted himself and was taken ill. At Glacier a physician was summoned, but Mr. Rooney was then past medical aid. At Banff he expired. Deceased was 46 years of age, and had been in the railway postal service for 30 years. He leaves a wife and daughter. The remains were brought to the city to-day for interment.

R. McPherson, M.PP., will spend the summer in Kootenay investing and prospecting.

Lieut.-Col. Gregory and Gr. Scott, of Victoria, and Sergt. Worsnop, of Vancouver, who left yesterday for London to attend the Queen's Jubilee, were given a hearty send-off at the station.

At the last session of the Methdist conference yesterday it was decided to arrange for work among the Germans in the province. The Rev. J. McD. Kerr, Methodist evangelist, will be invited to British Columbia. A committee was appointed to draw up a memorial to the Queen of the occasion of the jubilee. In the pastoral address prepared by Rev S. J. Thompson, the following points were noted: The Methodist church in British Columbia should unite on the prohibition question; the Methodist church is alone in the work among Japanese in the province; missionary work among natives has been prosecuted with vigor and success; work among the Chinese in the province was showing some degree of success; the connectional fund should be kept up for superannuation and missionary and education work; Methodists must be reminded that the world would steal the Sabbath and make the day of rest a day for business. The next conference will be held in Victoria.

A suit for libel against Mayor Davison, of Nanaimo, is progressing here before Justice McColl.

WESTMINSTER.

NEW WESTMINSTER, May 20.—(Special)—C. J. Marshall has been appointed local consul of the bicycle club.

The May day celebration takes place on Friday next. According to the time-honored custom, the May queen, the ex-queen, the maids of honor, the Boys' Brigade, the band and fire brigade will start in procession at one o'clock. The crowning of the queen will take place at the park and sweets will be distributed among the children.

METAL, STOCKS AND WHEAT.

Closing Prices on the New York Market Yesterday.

NEW YORK, May 20.—Closing quotations: Sugar, 113⅛; Atch., 12⅛, do. pfd. 19; Bay State gas, 81; C. & O., 18¼; C., B., Q., 74; Chicago gas, 81; C. M., 19; C., C., C. & St. Louis, 14¾; D., L. & W., 14; D. & H. 121¼; J. C., 79; L. &., 44½; Mo. Pacific, 12¾; Nor. Pacific, pfd., 36¼; N. Y. C., 99½; Ontario & W., 13½; N. Y. & W., pfd., 108¾; Omaha, 57⅛; Pac. Mail, 26⅝; Reading, 18; Sou., pfd., 24¾; Tenn., 17; Rubber, pfd., 62; U.P., 63⅛; Wab., pfd., 12½; W. U., 77⅛; C. P. in London, 55; Com. Cable, Montreal, 169⅛.

Bar silver, 60c. Mexican dollars, 47c⅜c. Silver certificates, 60c to 60½c.

Wheat closed as follows: No. 2 red, May, 80c; July, 77⅝c; Sept., 73½c; Dec., 74⅞c.

Pig iron dull; Southern $0.25 to $10, Northern $10 to $12. Copper steady; brokers, 11⅛c; exchange, $10.75 to $11.25. Lead steady; brokers, $3; exchange, $3.22½. Tin dull; Straits, $13.42½ to $13.52½. Plates easy. Spelter firm; domestic, $4.15 to $4.25.

WHERE IS THE BOY?

Bank Messenger and the Cash Have Disappeared.

BOSTON, May 19.—Albert M. King, the 19-year-old messenger of the Boylstone National bank, at the corner of Washington and Essex streets, is missing, together with about $2,000 in cash and a $1,000 certificate, not negotiable except between banks. King started for the clearing house at 10:15 to-day to settle the balance existing there against the bank and on the way, according to instructions, transacted other business involving something like $45,000. As he did not return to the bank by one o'clock the officials grew anxious and made a search for the messenger, besides securing the aid of the police, but up to the present have been unable to ascertain his whereabouts. King has been employed at the bank two years and his honesty was never questioned.

A course of Hood's Sarsaparilla taken now will build up the system and prevent serious illness later on. Get only Hood's.

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The Company's elegant steamers *Umatilla, City of Puebla* and *Walla Walla* carrying H.B.M. Mails, leaves *Victoria, B.C.*, for San Francisco, at 8 P.M., May 4, 9, 14, 19, 24, 29, June 3, 8, 13, 18, 23, 28, July 3, 8, 13, 18, 23. Due at San Francisco A.M., May 7, 12, 17, 22, 27, June 1, 6, 11, 16, 21, 26, July 1, 6, 11, 16, 21, 26. Leave *San Francisco* for Victoria, B.C., at 9 A.M., May 1, 6, 11, 16, 21, 26, 31, June 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, July 5, 10, 15, 20, 25. Due at Victoria, A.M., May 4, 9, 14, 19, 24, 29, June 3, 8, 13, 18, 23, 28, July 3, 8, 13, 23, 28.

The elegant steamers *City of Topeka, Mexico* and *Queen* leave *Victoria* for Alaska May 9, 14, 24, 29, June 8, 13, 23, 28, July 8, 13, 23. Due back at Victoria May 21, 26, June 5, 10, 19, 25, July 4, 10, 19, 25, Aug. 3. The Company reserves right to change, without previous notice, steamers sailing dates and hours of sailing.

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COMING EVENTS.

THE Young Christian Endeavorers of the First Presbyterian church picnic at Cordova Bay on Monday. They will drive out in the Young America, leaving the church at 8.30 a.m.

THE executive of the Women's Council meet this afternoon in the rooms of the Friendly Help Association, to finally consider the agenda for the annual meeting of the national body.

THE "Willing Workers" of Christ church cathedral hold their annual sale of work in the schoolroom this afternoon at 2 o'clock. The proceeds will be, as usual, devoted to Sunday school purposes. Being for so worthy an object, it is hoped that the sale will be liberally patronized.

THE W.C.T.U. at their meeting yesterday afternoon decided to hold their annual business meeting on the 8th proximo, the year's report being taken into consideration at a parlor social to be held at MRS. Pendray's. The annual public meeting is fixed for the Wednesday evening following.

THE members of the chorus and orchestra of "Farmer's Mass" go to Nanaimo on a special train to-morrow, leaving Victoria at 2 p.m. sharp. Passes will be given to the members. All others wishing to take advantage of this train must purchase the usual excursion ticket before boarding the train.

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The following letter tells what people think about Laxa Liver Pills:

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(Signed) MISS L. LAWSON, Moncton, N.B.

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TIME TABLE No. 28,

To take effect at 8 a.m. on Monday, March 29 1897. Trains run on Pacific Standard Time.

GOING NORTH—READ DOWN.

	Daily	Sat. & Sunday
Lv. Victoria for Nanaimo and Wellington	A.M. 8:00	P.M. 4:00
Ar. Nanaimo	11:48	7:25
Ar. Wellington	12:15	7:45

GOING SOUTH—READ UP.

	Daily	Sat. & Sunday
	A.M.	P.M.
Ar. Victoria	12:30	8:00
Lv. Nanaimo for Victoria	8:40	4:33
Lv. Wellington for Victoria	8:15	4:15

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Vancouver to Victoria—Daily, except Monday, at 13:15 o'clock, or on arrival of C.P.R. No. 1 train.

New Westminster Route.

LEAVE VICTORIA for New Westminster, Ladner's Landing and Lulu Island—Sunday at 23 o'clock; Wednesdays and Fridays at 7 o'clock. Sunday's steamer to New Westminster connects with C.P.R. train No. 2 going East Monday.

For Plumper Pass—Wednesdays and Fridays at 7 o'clock.

For Moresby and Pender Islands—Friday at o'clock.

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For Plumper Pass—Thursday and Saturday at o'clock.

For Pender and Moresby Islands—Thursday at o'clock.

Northern Route.

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Victoria, January 1st.

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"	Scotsman	June 12
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"	Lake Huron	June 23

FROM NEW YORK.

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"	Servia	June 8
American Line	Paris	June 9
"	St. Paul	June 16
Red Star Line	Southwark	June 9
"	Noordland	June 16
White Star Line	Germanic	June 9
"	Teutonic	June 14
Anchor Line	City of Rome	June 5
"	Anchoria	June 12
North Ger. Lloyd	Havel	June 8
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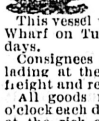

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THE POINT ELLICE DISASTER.

A representative of the COLONIST called upon a large number of business men and property owners yesterday for the purpose of getting their views in regard to the disposition of the Point Ellice damage case. The opinion of those who were seen seemed to be that the city would act wisely by compromising with the complainants on an equitable basis, notwithstanding the great doubt existing as to the city's liability in point of law. A moral obligation seems to be recognized. Even in the event of it being ultimately established that no legal responsibility rest upon the city, we do not think there is any disposition to refuse to recognize the duty to compensate the sufferers in some measure in the irreparable losses which they have sustained. We surrender much space to-day to this engrossing subject.

THE PROPOSED PLEBISCITE.

The government measure under which the question of prohibition will be submitted to the people will take that question out of the arena of mere sentimental consideration and make it severely practical. Several grave considerations must be taken into account. One of these is the question of revenue. The receipts from customs and excise dues on spirituous liquors amount to about $8,000,000 a year. This would have to be raised by some new species of taxation, and as all the indirect methods have been exhausted, a direct tax on incomes would be the only one left to resort to. An income tax is a perfectly fair tax, and we make no objection to it on principle. We are simply pointing out that the tax will follow as as a matter of course upon the adoption of a prohibitory law, and therefore the people of Canada, those who do not use spirituous liquors as well as those who do, will understand that by voting for prohibition they are substantially declaring that a very large sum, now contributed to the revenue by those who use spirituous liquors, will thereafter be paid by a direct tax upon all the people. Some portion of the $8,000,000 would probably be received from duties on other articles, the consumption of which might be increased.

But it is argued that under prohibition the expense of government will be much less. This is an argument that does not apply to the expense of the Dominion government except in a very inconsiderable degree. It may be conceded that the general expense of maintaining police, taking care of paupers and some other phases of government will be greatly lessened by a well-enforced prohibitory liquor law; but these are matters which come under the control of the municipalities and the Dominion has nothing to do with them, except in so far as the expense of maintaining penitentiaries is augmented by the crimes due to over-indulgence in intoxicating liquor.

Indeed, so far from the cost of governing the Dominion being reduced by reason of prohibition, it would be very considerably increased, because of the staff of officers necessary to enforce the law. We have no means of estimating what this would be, but several thousand miles of land and sea frontier would have to be watched to prevent smuggling and a federal constabulary would have to be maintained to prevent the illegal manufacture of liquors. To the amount necessary to be raised to make up the deficit caused by the cessation of regular imports and legal manufacture of spirituous liquors would have to be added a very large sum to cover the cost of policing the whole country to prevent smuggling and illicit distilling The experience of those localities where the Canada Temperance Act, 1878, was put in operation, is that it is idle to expect a prohibitory law to enforce itself. Those who count upon the ordinary police force of communities being equal to the enforcement of a general prohibitory law are simply unable to appreciate the case. If the law is passed it ought to be enforced, and it cannot be enforced except at great expense.

It must be kept in mind also that municipal revenues would be very greatly reduced by the abolition of licenses for the sale of spirituous liquors, but it is probably true that, if the Dominion would be at the expense of seeing that the law is enforced the saving to the municipalities by reason of the reduction in pauperism, crime and immorality would more than counter-balance the loss of revenue. We are now supposing that the law is, as a matter of fact, actually enforced and the illicit manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors is stopped, as far as it can be prevented by legal means. It might be that the Federal parliament, having enacted the law, would throw the responsibility of its enforcement upon the provinces. Certain acts are declared by the statutes of Canada to be crimes or misdemeanors, but parliament makes no provision for the prevention of them, and is at no expense as to the prosecution of offenders, except to pay the salaries of the judges. It is very evident that in a province like British Columbia, where population is scattered and where so many miners, prospectors, adventurers and speculators gather, the expense attending the eforcement of a prohibitory law would be enormous and the measure of success would be comparatively limited. On whom would the expense of this fall under a prohibitory law?

Such are some of the practical questions connected with the proposed plebiscite that will have to be faced. Whether they are of a sufficient weight to counterbalance the benefits to be derived from prohibition we must leave each reader to determine for himself. At a later day we will probably have something to say upon the general question of prohibition. It is probably true that a majority of the people of Canada believe that it would be a good thing for the Dominion and its inhabitants to stop the importation, manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors. It is probably also quite true that the ability of the people to pay taxes would be increased if there was not so great a waste of money, time and energy through the drinking habits of the people. But when it is proposed to ask the people to say whether or not a prohibitory law shall be enforced, the best friends of the affirmative side of the issue must desire that the public shall be fully informed as to the questions involved, for if a popular verdict is secured on false pretences or under a misapprehension of its effects, it will not stand more than two years on the statute book.

THE WEALTH OF YUKON.

We reprint to-day some extracts from Mr. Ogilvie's report on the great gold fields on the Canadian tributaries of the Yukon. One can say without exaggeration that nothing like this has ever been told of any part of the world and if when the knowledge of what has been found in that remote country becomes general there is not an immediate rush of miners thither, all precedents will be at fault. There is, of course, no means of approximating the amount of wealth that will be taken out of the country during the next few years, but one thing is very evident, namely that thousands of people will go into the country and will have to be fed and clothed while there. A very large number of these people will come out every fall and bring with them quantities of gold. They are the freest people in the world with their money. When they strike civilization after being months and perhaps years isolated in a sub-Arctic wilderness they want the best that civilization can afford and they are not very particular about the price they have to pay for it. Most of them on coming out will go further than the Coast cities and see life during the winter in the larger cities of the continent, but they will sell their gold in Victoria and they will outfit here for their holidays. Literally speaking there is "millions in it" for Victoria and Vancouver if they can secure their legitimate share of the trade of the Yukon.

COLD STORAGE.

In the estimates as submitted to parliament there is an item of $80,000 for cold storage to be supplemented by $20,000 hereafter. It is expected that seventeen vessels running from the Atlantic coast to European ports will be equipped with mechanical cold storage apparatus, and cold storage warehouses will be provided in Halifax, St. John, Charlottetown, Quebec, Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg and Revelstoke. That at Revelstoke is to be provided in anticipation of the trade in dairy products from the Northwest Territories. The government will supervise the construction of the buildings and we gather from the statement of the Minister of Agriculture that the aid will take the shape of a five per cent. guarantee of interest. On the subject of cold storage in general as applied to the Northwest Territories and British Columbia, Professor Robertson, the well-known expert, said recently:

What I saw, and learned on this trip confirms my previous judgment that the shipment of dressed beef will ultimately add from $10 to $15 to the value of every steer grown on the prairies. The transportation charges for the carriage of steers alive will average nearly $30 per head; the shrinkage in weight is from 50 to 70 pounds per head; the animals arrive in Great Britain with the tallow run off their kidneys, and the tallow generally somewhat discolored. The beef also is quite different from the beef from the same animals when slaughtered as they come from their prairie pastures. The carcases of the same steers could be shipped as dressed beef at a cost not exceeding $15 per head. The shrinkage during the journey would not be more than five or seven pounds per carcase, and all the eatable offal, such as tongues, hearts and tripe, could be carried in cheap boxes in cold storage. I think the cold storage service arranged for by the government on railways and steamships will be of very great benefit to the whole cattle interest of Canada, and particularly to the live stock interests of Manitoba and the Northwest Territories.

The greater quantity of both will doubtless go to Great Britain, as the production of these will be larger than required to meet local demands, and for the present year larger than to meet the demands of the rapidly developing mining regions in British Columbia and around the Lake of the Woods.

The mining boom will benefit the farmers. The farmers in Alberta will find an excellent market for butter, eggs, poultry, oats, and for flour and oatmeal from the Edmonton district, in the Kootenay and Rossland mining regions. At present the want of an efficient cold storage warehouse as a distributing centre at such a place as Revelstoke or Nakusp is a serious handicap to Canadian farmers, who are competing with United States farmers whose products are sent in by way of Spokane Falls. From Spokane Falls butter and eggs and that class of products can be delivered to the mining camps in twenty-four hours; from Edmonton and Calgary the delivery takes from three to five days. With a cold storage warehouse at a central point in the mining region, where four or five carloads could be held, prompt delivery could be made of the Canadian products in the best condition. That would be a sure, and, it seems to me, a necessary means of capturing and keeping that market for Canadian farm products.

A COLONIST reader thinks an editorial in yesterday's paper in regard to the Yukon gold fields may be misunderstood. The statement was made that the Yukon is in Canada. The word Yukon was used to signify the territory so named in contra-distinction to Alaska. In the American papers the Yukon gold fields are always spoken of as Alaskan. All the auriferous gravels of this great river system are not in Canada, for some very valuable ground is west of the 141st meridian, and hence in United States territory. But the lower part of Forty-Mile Creek, all the Clondyke, all Stewart river, and every mile of the Yukon and its tributaries above these points is in Canada. The COLONIST's desire is not to detract from the reputation of the Alaskan gold deposits, but to point out that the most valuable and most numerous discoveries are in Canada.

THE Canadian Trade Review draws attention to the highly interesting fact that while the value of speculative stocks in Cripple Creek is steadily going down, the mines are doing better than ever. It thinks that something of the same state of things may be looked for in Rossland and thereabouts. In the histories of all successful mining camps there is a period when the arts of the boomster fail to accomplish much, and those people who are "everything by turn and nothing long," forthwith jump at the conclusion that the bottom is about to fall out of business. What is really taking place is that business is settling to a solid basis.

A PETITION has been presented to the Department of Marine and Fisheries asking for the establishment of a weather bureau in connection with the meteorological observatory at Esquimalt. What is wanted is that the Esquimalt station shall be supplied with and publish forecasts based upon observations at Point Carmanah, Cape Flattery, and other Coast points. The idea is an excellent one.

THERE appears to be an open question as to just where the International boundary line is in the neighborhood of Boundary Creek. The piece of territory involved is very narrow, but its ownership may be a matter of very considerable importance. Fortunately it can be easily settled by astronomical observations, for the 49th parallel is the boundary. A year or so ago an ingenious man from Spokane propounded the proposition that Rossland was really in the United States, but he was simply drawing on his imagination.

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

Employer—I thought you wanted to go to your grandmother's funeral this afternoon. Office Boy—Please, sir, it was postponed on account of wet grounds.—Truth.

"Your daughter Imogene is a perfect Venus, Mr. Duggins." "Yes—Venus de Milo; she never does any work with her arms."—Chicago Record.

"The month of May is very appropriately named," remarked the youth to his friend. "In what regard?" "Because its weather is so uncertain." "How does the name May apply to uncertain weather?" "Well, it may be hot or it may be cold, it may be wet or it may be dry."—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

A Slight Misunderstanding.—Westerner—That bank in town has busted and the people are lookin' for the president. Tourist—What are the liabilities? Westerner—Well, the liabilities are that they won't ketch him; but if they do, they're liable to string him up!—Puck.

"Mr. Henpeck," said the doctor, after examination, "I fear your wife's mind is gone." "That doesn't surprise me," said the poor man. "She has been giving me a piece of it every day for ten years."—Memphis Scimitar.

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MINING CAPITAL.

In spite of the heavy nominal capitalization of our Western mines the actual working capital needed to exploit them is very moderate in comparison with that required for exploiting mines in South Africa. In fact from $25,000 to $30,000 seems to be quite adequate to meet the expenditure on the average mine in either Kootenay or Algoma, and in some cases much less has been found quite sufficient.—Canadian Trade Review.

THE PROPOSED PLEBISCITE.

Premier Laurier pointed out forcibly yesterday that if the people of this country want prohibition they must prepare to pay eight million dollars in direct taxes.

Eight millions is the figure which the customs and excise duties on beer and whiskey bring the government each year. This is a special tax paid by the persons who drink liquor. If the drinking of liquor be stopped, that tax will stop, and instead there must be large additional taxation for all the temperance people of the country.

The new tax would have to be in the form of taxation of incomes. The enactment of prohibition will introduce in the Dominion the spectacle of national tax-gathers calling at every house.

As Mr. Laurier remarked, the electors must understand the consequences and abide by them.—Ottawa Journal.

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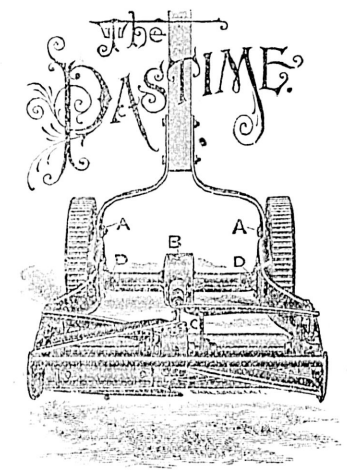

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THE CITY.

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Tenders are invited by the provincial government for the supply of clothing, groceries, etc., to the asylum for the insane at New Westminster and to the provincial home at Kamloops.

Yesterday's issue of the Provincial official Gazette is a notable one in that it contains no notices of the incorporation of new mining companies. Such a thing has not occurred during two years past.

Captain W. E. Holmes, for some time past proprietor of the Globe hotel at Esquimalt, has taken the well known Victoria gardens, where he is now ready to receive all friends of the place and of the proprietor.

Remands were the order of the occasion in the police court yesterday. The cases were of the most commonplace character, with the single exception of that of Aiken, charged with shooting his father-in-law, George Brown, at Metchosin. Brown is not yet out of the hands of the doctors at St. Joseph's.

Yesterday's issue of the British Columbia Gazette announces the newly created school districts Fort Steele, Grand Forks, Greenwood, New Denver, Sandon and of Stave River, while in consequence of the establishment of these new schools a readjustment of limits has been rendered necessary in the Kettle River, Silverdale and Whannock districts.

Like the curate's breakfast egg the entertainment given by the Ward and Vokes combination at The Victoria last evening was very good—in spots. Portions of the vaudeville work was quite up to the mark, refreshing and entertaining. Other portions were not. On the whole the house enjoyed it and went home satisfied. The chief explanation of the title under which the piece is presented, "A Run on the Bank," is—because it wasn't named anything else.

The concert, given last night in the Institute hall by the faculty and pupils of the Victoria Conservatory of Music, in aid of the Diamond Jubilee children's ward at the Jubilee hospital, was well attended and was a great success. Miss Sharp and Miss Walker are to be most heartily congratulated upon the excellent work done by their pupils. The great pressure upon the columns of the Colonist this morning renders it impossible to treat the programme in detail, which is a matter of regret, for the several performers are worthy of separate notice, both in justice to them and their instructors.

Mr. Lionell Wolff, of this city, who recently made his debut as a professional mind reader and hypnotist, has been meeting with signal success on a tour from which he has just returned and which embraced the Mainland cities, Nanaimo and Wellington. He finds himself most proficient as a hypnotist, and introduced at Nanaimo a feat that is said to have been the greatest advertisement the Coal City has yet seen. This was to hypnotize a subject during the course of the morning street exhibition, leave the sleeping man in the window of a leading business establishment until evening, and then bring the subject back to consciousness at the night entertainment. Before leaving Victoria on an extended professional tour for which he is now preparing, Mr. Wolff will give a second hypnotic exhibition in this city, probably repeating his Nanaimo illustration of his power.

The executive committee of the Victoria Garrison Artillery Rifle Association had a meeting yesterday afternoon, the first since the annual meeting. Acceptances were read from the gentlemen who had been invited to become patrons of the association, they being Lieutenant-Governor Dewdney, Mayor Redfern and Lieut.-Col. Peters, D. O. C. Lieut.-Col. Gregory also wrote accepting the office of president. The choice of representatives on the executive was announced, as follows: The Officers, Surgeon Major Duncan; the Sergeants, Sergeant Russell; No. 1 Company, Sergeant Bailey and Bombr. Dickinson; No. 2, Sergeant Winsby and Bombr. Richardson; No. 3, Sergt. Macdougall and Corp. Lettice. The lists of the teams for the league match on Saturday were made out, and other business in connection with the same event was transacted. In order to make the most of the day, firing will commence at 5 a.m. on Saturday.

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The city landing at the foot of Yates street was in a dangerous condition last evening. The fence about the approach was missing and the inebriate walking around the place would be in danger of a ducking.

For the Presbyterian assembly to be held at Winnipeg in June, the Northern Pacific railway has made a round trip rate of $60 for clergy and lay delegates and dependent members of their families who may accompany them. Tickets are to be purchased on and after June 1, and will be good to return until June 30.

A Johnson street wash house man has discovered that a little too much "devilee" prevention will provoke the wrath of the firemen. His lesson, however, cost him a summons, in answer to which he will be obliged to explain in the police court this morning why he was burning rubbish in front of his place on Wednesday evening.

Messrs. Hunter & Oliver have given notice, as solicitors for the promoters, of an application to be made to the provincial legislature at its next session for power to incorporate a company to build and operate a railway of either standard or narrow gauge, from the head of navigation on the Kitamaat Inlet, Douglas channel, through the Kitamaat valley for twenty-five miles or more, to Kitselass canyon, and thence along the valley of the Skeena, via Hazelton, to Germansen Creek, Omineca. All the customary privileges will be asked in connection with their project by the promoters of the road.

Victoria's fire department had little leisure yesterday, with three fires to engage their attention. The first was at the home of Mr. Sprinkling, and sprinkling quite naturally put it out. The next alarm was caused through the discovery of a pile of burning rubbish under the stairway in rear of the Hotel Victoria. Third fire and last was at the Rock Bay bridge, where an insignificant hole was burned in the flooring. The fervent anti-tobacco man will point to this little blaze as an object lesson in the danger of smoking; on the other hand if the smoker had continued his attention to his cigar the bridge would not have taken fire. The total damage by the three fires will not exceed $20.

A number of prominent business men, who are also enthusiastic cyclists, have combined to offer a reward of $100 for the apprehension and adequate punishment of the miscreants who have lately been waging systematic war upon wheeling property. Not only have nail-studded puncture carpets been laid in several much frequented drives, but broken glass has been intentionally scattered in others with tacks in quantity by way of variety. If, as some are inclined to believe, the many recent attempts to insure the injury of wheels are the work of bad boys, they should have their offence speedily brought home to them, with a sound thrashing to induce each to mend his way. If, on the other hand, the contemptible sneak is an adult, a month or two at hard labor would about meet the case.

WEATHER PREDICTIONS WANTED

Text of the Petition in This Regard That Has Been Forwarded to Ottawa.

Capt. Lewis, the shipping agent, has circulated a petition and had it signed by the most prominent commercial men of the city, and has now had it forwarded to the Deputy Minister of Marine at Ottawa, which if acted upon will put an ostrich feather in the captain's headwear—that is in the estimation of the public. The petition which is appended needs no argument other than itself contains to recommend it to everyone, whether sea-farers or landsmen. It reads as follows:

"To the Deputy Minister, Marine Department—We, the undersigned gentlemen, connected with the shipping and other interests of Victoria and locality, humbly request the government to improve the utility of the existing meteorological office at Esquimalt. We have long felt the need of a regular daily forecast of the state of the weather, enabling those connected with shipping to ascertain with some degree of accuracy what to expect in the Straits and at sea. To facilitate this we would respectfully suggest that the storm signals be placed on the old custom house buildings overlooking the harbor, where all can see them—a daily forecast with chart to be printed in the local press; communication by the existing telegraph wire with Carmanah Point lighthouse, and also by telegraph with Race Rocks lighthouse and other such stations as may be deemed necessary to enable the proper officer at Esquimalt to collect his data.

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Business amongst the wholesalers is just now in very satisfactory shape, and in some lines is of much larger volume than usual, which goes to show that in spite of the general quietness the trade of Victoria is on the increase. This improvement is, according to a leading Wharf street merchant, very largely the result of new channels of trade being opened through the establishment of many new mining camps on the Island. The Yukon trade about which so much has been said has not yet appeared as a very important factor in the turn over of local merchants, although several report orders for goods to be forwarded to the mines in the far north. The few orders as yet placed in Victoria are principally with wholesale grocers, in which connection Messrs. Simon Leiser & Co. on Wednesday shipped a very large consignment to San Francisco in bond for the Yukon, a roundabout route which must necessarily militate against Victoria as a source of supply. But the fact that it does pay to ship goods in this indirect manner would go to show that direct communications with the new placers in the North would build up a very large trade in this city. The same firm will make another shipment over the same steamship lines next week, and report that far northern orders are constantly on the increase.

The usual quota of grocers' staples are being shipped to the various mines in which lines the demand from Kootenay points continues on the increase. A new factor in the commercial world which made its appearance during the past week were the camps situated on the Harrison river. Texada and the Alberni mines are steady consumers, and Victoria merchants now look upon them as amongst their best customers.

Owing to the limited sealing fleet this year the business of outfitting for the season's cruise was much below the average, but on the other hand the number of new canneries which have been constructed this year will more than make up for the deficiency.

General quiet prevails in the wholesale dry goods lines, but this is the usual thing at this time of the year and as the spring trade was fully up to expectations and the future outlook is particularly bright there can be no cause for complaint. In this line the many new mining camps are likely to prove lucrative and steady customers for the usual staples and are already reckoned as factors in the general improvement in trade.

Farming implements and hardware of all kinds are in active demand, and the leading firms report exceedingly good business. Prospectors outfitting and mining supplies of all kinds form a very large proportion of the stock being handled, and as each new discovery of mineral lodes is made throughout the province, the hardware merchants of Victoria feel the benefit. Great things are expected in these lines from the proposed opening of the mines in the Klondyke and adjacent territory to the trade of this city, and even as things are at present one firm has to report the receipt of several small orders for shipment to the Yukon. Cannerymen are about this time drawing their season's requirements of hardware, which very materially adds to the business now being transacted in iron and manufactures thereof.

Between seed time and harvest is a dull time to those in the hay and feed business, but in mill stuffs the demand is fairly active. During the past three months the amount of business done was much larger than usual, and the fact that farmers are now busy seeding accounts for the quietness which now prevails. Looking towards the future dealers anticipate more than usually heavy crops of all kinds, and brisk trade will be the order of the day.

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THE DAMAGE SUITS.

Some Ratepayers Express Their Opinions as to the Recent Verdict Against the Corporation.

"Just what we expected," was the reply made yesterday by a number of the heaviest taxpayers who, however, did not care to see their names in print, when asked as to their opinion of the verdict in the Gordon damage suit decided against the city in Vancouver on Wednesday. Out of a dozen gentlemen why were willing to express an opinion only one took exception to the verdict, and that was on the ground that it was not fair to hold the corporation solely responsible for the accident.

"What else could be expected," said one gentleman, "when we employ a council to look after the business of the city and change them every year. What we want are commissioners whose terms of office will be during good behaviour and whose salary will be sufficiently large to make the situation an object to the very best talent. At present we have a competent enough professional staff, but we make them dependent for their bread and butter upon the good will of an irresponsible body of men whose chances for re-election depend largely upon their ability as wire pullers."

The idea which was advanced months ago by the Chief Justice that the various claims should be submitted to arbitration found seconders in every case in which an opinion was asked on this subject, and in some cases a hope was expressed that the city authorities would yet listen to reason, and if it were not too late yet that overtures should be made looking to a settlement of the pending litigation before the enormous law costs incidental to fighting the cases had been incurred. That there was any chance of the city's winning did not seem to enter the minds of the ratepayers interviewed.

The jury's answer to the third question was a staggerer to a great many, who at first sight failed to distinguish between overloading the car and overloading the road-bed. And in this connection one gentleman thought that the Tramway company, who was making all the money through being allowed to use the bridge free of charge, was morally responsible for a share of the damages.

An alderman who was spoken to in the matter said that it was a most outrageous verdict and the Corporation intended to appeal the case and fight it to the bitter end. "We have evidence that very few seem to know about," continued the alderman, "and while the Corporation owns all the rest of the bridges within the city limits, that at Point Ellice was specially exempted. And besides this, do you know that the contractors who built that bridge advised the government at the time permission was first given the tramway to run their cars across, that the structure was not strong enough for the traffic? No, I don't think the city was treated fairly and I believe we will win the case yet."

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Another contribution was made by the officers of the B.C. Benevolent Association through the secretary-treasurer, Mr. W. H. Mason. This is no less than the minute book of the society, which contains a record of the proceedings of that body since its organization in 1872 up to 1895. There is a great deal of history between its two covers, and in the archives of the library will be an important book of reference some day in the future.

Hon. Don M. Dickinson, the senior counsel of the United States on the Behring sea commission, is a gentleman who has always taken a kindly interest in the western country, and was particularly pleased with his stay in Victoria. In order to show his appreciation of the province and his experience in Victoria, while in Washington recently he visited the several departments of the government there and had the provincial library placed on the permanent exchange list to receive the various publications of the United States. Among the books already received is "The Treaties and Conventions of the United States, 1789-1892," a large volume, invaluable for reference, and many other state volumes of importance. Such an act on the part of Mr. Dickinson is highly appreciated by the commissioners of the library.

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He Will Stop Off at Ottawa to Visit the Governor-General.

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GORDON VS. VICTORIA.

Text of the Summing Up of the Chief Justice at Vancouver.

Questions Submitted to the Jury and on Which They Based Their Verdict.

The Point Ellice case is exciting so great interest in the city and its affects to Victoria are so important that it is given here in full:

The Chief Justice in summing up said: This is an action by the widow of the late Jesse B. Gordon, on behalf of herself, two children, aged 14 and 9 respectively, and one step-son, aged 20, to recover damages against the Corporation of the City of Victoria and the Consolidated Railway Company there, on account of the death of her husband, which occurred at Victoria on the 26th of May last whilst the deceased was riding on a tramcar of the defendant company, and travelling over a bridge within the Corporation limits, under the control, power and management of the Corporation. For facility of expression I shall,as has been done during the trial, refer to the City as the Corporation, and to the Tramway Company as the Company.

It seems that the 26th May was a holiday and that large crowds were attracted to a sham fight in the neighborhood of Esquimalt, and that the Company's cars ran there from Victoria, in the course of the journey passing over two bridges—the first the Rock Bay bridge and the second Point Ellice bridge. The deceased appears to have been one of the first to enter the car and to have secured a seat when the car was standing near Campbell's corner in the principal thoroughfare of the City. Immediately afterwards the car was thronged with passengers, which caused the deceased to relinquish his seat to a female passenger. When the car started there was barely standing room, the number of passengers being estimated at 100, which number was not decreased, although some may have got on and off until the car reached Point Ellice bridge. Another car similarly loaded was just ahead of the car in question, and had emerged from the bridge just as this one commenced to cross. It was a truss bridge containing two spans, and upon reaching the first span it collapsed. The car plunged through into the water below, and fifty and more passengers, including the plaintiff's husband, Jesse B. Gordon, were drowned or killed by the falling timbers. I will deal with the cases against each defendant separately; first, that against the Corporation, then that against the Company. Although at the time of the disaster the bridge was unquestionably within the limits and under the control of the Corporation, it was not so at the time of its construction. It was built by the Government in 1885, and was then outside the City limits. The limits were extended in 1890, the extension taking effect on January 8th, 1891, so as to expressly include Point Ellice bridge. The Corporation has supreme power over the bridges within its limits under section 50 Municipal Act subsections 122, 129 and 136. The Corporation had by by-law given permission to the Tramway Company to lay tracks and operate tramways upon the streets and bridges within the limits of the City, subject to their supervision and control. This was before the extension of the limits and consequently did not include Point Ellice bridge. Section 19, subjection (a) of the Municipal Act, 1892, provides that in case an addition is made to the limits of any municipality the by-laws and resolutions of such municipality shall extend to such additional limits, and shall continue in force until altered or repealed by the Council. Whether this provision gave the Company power to run tramways over Point Ellice bridge we are not concerned to enquire, as antecedent to the extension the then tramway company had under an act of the legislature power to construct, maintain and operate their tramway over any highways or bridges between Victoria and the town of Esquimalt which would, of course, include Point Ellice bridge. That power then was subject to the supervision of the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, but from and after the extension it is clear under section 10 of the Municipal Act, 1892, and the by-law of the City, that the power of supervision was transferred to the Corporation. This is rendered additionally clear by Cap. 63 of 1894, section 12, and its sub-sections placing the supervision and control wholly in the hands of the Corporation and their officers, and ever since the extension of the limits, the Corporation have exercised this control. In the year 1892 an accident occurred on the same bridge, to the same car, by the breaking of one of the beams, but fortunately unattended with disastrous consequences. The Corporation then repaired the bridge themselves and authorized the Tram Company to also make certain alterations, of which repairs and alterations I shall speak again directly. I refer to them in this connection as indicating the entire control and ownership which the Council exercised over the bridge. Moreover it was then replanked and the Corporation appropriated the old planking and sold it. In view of the statutes, by-laws and actions of the Council, it is idle for them now to contend that they did not control the bridge and supervise the operations of the Tramway Company. It, however, becomes necessary to still further consider the repairs and alterations made in 1892, what caused them and how they were executed, for the liability of the Corporation at least seems principally to turn on these questions.

The first thing which must have attracted their attention to the state of the bridge was a letter from a practical bridge builder, Mr. Theodore P. West, who had recently built a bridge running parallel with this one, viz: the railway bridge crossing the harbor to the south of this one. His letter is important so I shall read it in full. (Letter read.) It seems that the City Engineer minimised the danger so graphically and forcibly pointed out by Mr. West and that the Council by a majority, sustained the Engineer against the protests of Aldermen Smith and Richards, who gave evidence before you, and being both practical men, and one of them presumably conversant with the plans and specifications of the bridge, they examined the bridge, and came to the conclusion, and so reported to the Council, that the bridge was unsafe. Now I was much impressed, and I am sure you must have been too, with the clear and common sense light in which Mr. Cassidy put the action of the majority in sustaining the engineer, who had reported favorably to the bridge. His argument I am sure was unanswerable. When you have an engineer you repose confidence in him, and so long as you do so it is not for members of deliberative bodies to oppose their own professional views to his. If you have not confidence in your engineer, discharge him and get one in whom you have, but so long as he has your confidence, it can only create disorder if his opinions and advice are to be set aside. So I think the Council must be exonerated from all blame so far. But they did not act on this principle afterwards; unfortunately not. The accident of 1892 happens and Mr. Wilmot, the engineer, writes them on the 15th June, 1992, reporting the accident and its temporary repair, but that eight more beams are rotten and he recommends iron beams throughout at a cost of $1,500. Nothing seems to have been done until the 29th of June, when he writes this letter: "I beg to call your attention to the fact that tramcars and heavily loaded wagons still cross Point Ellice bridge, although that structure was reported unsafe for such traffic at a meeting of the Council on the 15th inst., and a notice to the same effect published in one of the daily newspapers. If the bridge is not closed at once a serious accident is liable to occur at any moment, as the bridge is in a decidedly dangerous condition." In response to this stirring appeal the Council authorized not iron beams at $1,500, but "wood floor beams," estimated cost $560. However I must in this connection call your attention to Mr. Wilmot's excuse for the Council, that wood beams were as good, but would not last so long. A great deal has been said against Mr. Wilmot in this case, but if his advice about the iron beams had been taken, would this calamity, in human probability have happened?

However, so far the law imposes no liability on the Corporation. They may be prosecuted by indictment for failure to repair and maintain high ways and bridges, nonfeasance as it is called, but, by personal action, not. At least for the purpose of your finding that is the law which I have to lay down. The only thing for which they are liable is some active wrongdoing or misfeasance. Whether such misfeasance is established by the fact that the running of 20-ton tram cars was permitted over a bridge intended for no such traffic may be a matter to be hereafter considered. At present,in point of law I think not, for the Legislature had given the distinct privilege of running over the bridge. What you have to turn your minds to now is the way in which the alteratious and repairs were made in 1892. Was there misfeasance then—I am dealing only with the case of the Corporation, and in this connection I must tell you that the Corporation is equally liable for any wrongdoing of the Company in respect of the alteration and repairs to the bridge as they are for their own. What the Tramway Company did was under the authority and supervision of the Corporation, and was as much the work of the Corporation as if they had done it themselves. (See exhibit 11, Wilmot letter of 29th July.) Now the work done by the city was: nine new floor beams put in; the substitution of stirrups. or irons going round the beams, for yoke hangers, which were bored through the beams; and replanking the qridge diagonally. The work of the Tramway Company was the putting in of longitudinal stringers, 10x12, under each rail for the length of the bridge, and divididg the planking into sections, thus enabling them to lay their rails (T rails being substituted for the previous flat rails) upon the stringers instead of upon the planking as theretofore.

As we all understand, the yoke hangers, or stirrups, as the case may be, are most important factors in the bridge, for by them were attached to the beams the diagonals, counters and paraphernalia which held the structure together. If one of them gives way the whole affair collapses. Of these yoke hangers or stirrups at least one did break on the occasion of the disaster, and here I wish to correct a wrong impression under which I labored, and so expressed myself during the trial, as to the broken yoke hanger. I gathered from not closely enough following the evidence, that this broken hanger was one of the welded stirrups, and had broken at the weld. If so, the liability of the Corporation would have been complete. But upon reading the extension of the shorthand notes, I find I was mistaken, and that the broken hanger referred to by Mr. Yorke was one of the original yoke hangers. Yorke leaves this in doubt, but the evidence of Bell clears it up. But there is more about the substituted stirrups than this. The undisputed evidence of McIntosh, who did the 1892 Corporation repairs by day work, proves that instead of providing new irons altogether for the stirrups, he had them manufactured out of the yoke hangers, and in order to do this they had to be lengthened, and this lengthening was done by taking them to a blacksmith, and two fresh pieces of iron in each hanger, welded or spliced in between the screw thread and the rest of the iron. Thus there were four welds in each stirrup, and 16 stirrups, or four times 16 welds for the whole work. These welds were made by the blacksmith without supervision of any kind or character, and whether badly or perfectly made is wholly conjectural and you have heard the evidence as to the treacherous character of welded iron. Moreover, we have nothing to show whether any of these stirrups broke or not, or whether one of them was the first to break. In this view of the matter, the failure of the defendant Corporation to call any testimony is important, and as the whole, or nearly so, of the debris of the bridge is in their possession, the failure to produce it and satisfy you by incontrovertible evidence, viz., the production of the stirrups themselves, or at least by the evidence of those who had examined them at the first, that none of the stirrups were broken, at least at the weld, is remarkable. Mr. Bell's report upon the whole thing after sixty days' examination, and which would presumably clear the matter up, is kept from you, so far as the evidence shows, because the Corporation will not pay him for the services he has rendered. Mr. Wilson dwells upon all these things, and properly so. If a prisoner in a criminal cases declines, now that he has the privilege, to go into the witness box,

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"Land Registry Act."

In the matter of the application of Maurice Humber, of the City of Victoria, for a certificate of indefeasible title to subdivisions five (5), ten (10) and eleven (11), Topaz avenue, Victoria city, being part of section five (5), Victoria district, (Map 5), and to lots one (1), two (2) and three (3), block T, of the Work Estate, being part of section four (4), Victoria District.

Notice is hereby given that a certificate of indefeasable title to the above lands, will be issued to Maurice Humber on the 10th day of July, 1897, unless in the meantime a valid objection thereto be made to me in writing by some person claiming an estate or interest therein, or in some part thereof

"S. Y. WOOTTON,"
Registrar General.

Land Registry Office,
Victoria, B. C., March 31, 1897. ap1

NOTICE—I, the undersigned, hereby give notice of my intention to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the city of Victoria, at their next sitting for a transfer of the retail liquor license of the Jubilee Saloon, No 49 [on the south side] Johnson street, city of Victoria, B.C., to Joseph Ball, of the said city of Victoria, the present lessee. Dated at Victoria, B.C., this 8th day of May, 1897.

R. SLOAN, Late Licensee.
F. E. NEUBERGER, Landlord.
By His Attorney-in-Fact,
my9 E. M. JOHNSON

CHAS. HAYWARD,

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NOTICE OF SALE BY SHERIFF.

Pursuant to "Execution Act."

In the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

Between Dunham, Carrigan & Hayden Co., Plaintiffs, and John Hatswell Pleace, Defendant;

—AND—

Andrew Haslam, Plaintiff, and John H. Pleace and James N. Alger, Defendants;

—AND—

Andrew Haslem, Plaintiff, and John H. Pleace, Defendant.

In obedience to three several writs of fieri facias issued out of the above Supreme Court, to me directed as follows in the above named suit of Dunham, Carrigan & Hayden Co. against John Hatswell Pleace for the sum of $226.57; in the above named suit of Andrew Haslem against John H. Pleace and James N. Algar for the sum of $475.81; in the above named suit of Andrew Haslam against John H. Pleace for the sum of $990, together with interest on the above sums, besides sheriff's fees, poundage and other expenses of these executions, I have seized and will offer for sale by public auction, at the Court House, in the City of Nanaimo, on Saturday, the 22nd day of May, 1897, at 12 o'clock noon, all the right, title and interest of the above defendant, John H. Pleace, in the lands below described or sufficient thereof to satisfy the judgment debts and costs in the above named actions:

District.	No. of Lots.	Concise Description of Property.	Estate or Interest.
Rupert	North half of north half of section 7, north half of north half of section 8, township 2	297 acres, more or less	Fee simple.
Nanoose	38	147 acres, more or less	Fee simple.
City of Nanaimo	Lots 64 and 67, Block III, Newcastle Townsite	Town Lots	Undivided one half.
Wellington	West half of Lot 5, Block XV, Map 318 A	Half Town Lot	Fee simple.
Nanoose	Undivided one half of Lot 80	160 acres, more or less	This lot is not registered in the name of John H. Pleace
City of Nanaimo	Lot 6, Block XIII	Town Lot	Equity of redemption

When to be Sold.	Where to be Sold.
Saturday, May 22, 1897, at twelve o'clock noon	At the Front of the Court House, Nanaimo, B.C.

I hereby certify that [excepting judgments] the following are the only charges appearing registered, or applied for, against that part of Lot 6, Block 13, Nanaimo City, of which John Pleace is the registered owner, viz:

14th October, 1896. Order of the Supreme Court of British Columbia made in the matter of the Estate of John Pleace, deceased [Filed No. 2798]

12th November, 1896. John Hatswell Pleace to Jane Honeyman mortgage in fee [so purporting] to secure payment of the sum of $1500.00 on the 12th November, 1897, and interest at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum. [Reg. in C. B. Vol. 14, Fol. 566, No. 1826-B]

30th January, 1897, Jane Honeyman to Ernest Temple, assignment and transfer of Mortgage debt and premises above mentioned [Reg. in C.B. Vol. 14, Fol. 580, No. 2018-D.]

7th December, 1896. John H. Pleace to the Hickman Tye Hardware Company Limited mortgage in fee to secure payment of the sum of $2500.00 on demand and interest at the rate of eight per cent. per annum. Reg. in C.B. Vol. 14, Fol. 566, No. 1882-D]

I further certify that the following are the only judgments appearing registered against the real estate of John Hatswell Pleace, viz:

Date of Registration.	No. of Reg'n.	Judgment Creditor.	Judgment Debtor.	Amount
30th November, 1896.	934	Dunham, Carrigan Hayden Co.	John Hatswell Pleace	$226 57
9th December, 1896.	940	Andrew Haslam	John H. Pleace and James N. Algar	$720 45
			John H. Pleace	$950 01
12th December, 1896.	941	Frederick A. Pauline	John H. Pleace	$87 50
21st December, 1896.	949	Andrew Haslem	do	$86 96
17th February, 1897.	981	B. Greening Wire Co., Ltd.	do	
2nd March, 1897.	997	Toronto Radiator Mfg Co.	do	

S Y. WOOTTEN,
Registrar-General.

S. DRAKE,
Sheriff County of Nanaimo.

Dated at Nanaimo, 10th May, 1897. my13

MUNICIPAL.

Assessment notices have been posted to all parties assessed for land and improvements in the city.

If not delivered at residence, please call at the post office for same.

WM. W. NORTHCOTT,
City Assessor

Victoria, B.C., May 6th, 1897. my7

VICTORIA WATER WORKS.

Notice is hereby given that from and after this date the use of water for sprinkling or irrigating purposes will not be permitted between the hours of nine in the morning and five in the afternoon.

Persons infringing this regulation are liable to a fine of Fifty Cents for each infraction and to have the water shut off without notice.

JAMES L. RAYMUR,
Water Commissioner.

City Hall, 28th April, 1897. ap29

GEO. A. SARGISON,

NOTARY PUBLIC,

Accountant and Agent.

No 48 Langley Street.

NOTICES.

High School Entrance Examination.

EDUCATION OFFICE.
May 17th, 1897.

The annual examination of applicants for entrance to a High School will be held in the High School Building, Victoria, commencing on Wednesday, the 26th inst., at 9 a.m.

Candidates must be punctual.

S. D POPE,
my18 Superintendent of Education.

EDUCATION OFFICE,
VICTORIA, 5TH MAY, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the annual examination of candidates for certificates of qualification to teach in the Public Schools of the Province will be held as follows, commencing on Friday, July 2nd, 1897, at 8:45 a.m.:—

Victoria.....In South Park School Building.
Vancouver.....In High School Building.
Kamloops.....In Public School Building.

Each applicant must forward a notice, thirty days before the examination, stating the class and grade of certificate for which he will be a candidate, the optional subjects selected, and at which of the above named places he will attend.

Every notice of intention to be an applicant must be accompanied with satisfactory testimonial of moral character.

Candidates are notified that all of the above requirements must be fulfilled before their applications can be filed.

All candidates for First Class, Grade A, Certificates, including Graduates must attend in Victoria to take the subjects prescribed for July 12th and 13th instants, and to undergo required oral examinations.

S. D. POPE,
my7 Superintendent of Education.

NOTICE TO JOINT STOCK COMPANIES.

THE following section, numbered 161, of the "Companies Act, 1897," relative to the issue of a free miner's certificate is published for the information of JOINT STOCK COMPANIES,

JAMES BAKER,
Minister of Mines.

Provincial Secretary's Office,
14th May, 1897.

161. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in section 4 of the "Mineral Act, 1896," or section 4 of the "Placer Mining Act, 1891," or elsewhere in the said Acts or other the mining laws of the Province, no free miner's certificate shall be issued to a Joint Stock Company for a longer period than one year, and such certificate shall date from the 30th day of June in each year.; and every free miner's certificate held by a Joint Stock Company at the passing of this Act shall be valid and existing until and shall expire on the 30th day of June, 1897. Upon applying to renew any such certificate on or before the said 30th day of June, the Joint Stock Company shall be entitled to a rebate of a proportionate amount of the fee paid for a certificate heretofore issued according to the further time for which it would but for this section have been valid. my19

NOTICE.

Assessment Act and Provincial Revenue Tax.

NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with the Statutes, that Provincial Revenue Tax and all taxes levied under the Assessment Act are now due for the year 1897. All of the above named taxes collectible within Victoria City, South Victoria and Esquimalt Electoral Districts, North Saanich, Rupert, Sayward, Quatsino, Coast and Queen Charlotte Island Land Districts, with parts of Barclay and Clayoquot Districts assessed by me, are payable at my office.

Assessed taxes are collectible at the following rates, viz:—

Four-fifths of one per cent. on the assessed value of real estate, other than wild land.

Three quarters of one per cent. on the assessed value of personal property.

On so much of the income of any person as exceeds one thousand dollars the following rates, namely: Upon such excess, when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one and one-quarter of one per cent.; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and three-quarters of one per cent.

Three per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

If paid on or before the 30th day of June, 1897:

Three-fifths of one per cent. on the assessed value of real estate, other than wild land.

One-half of one per cent. on the assessed value of personal property.

Upon such excess of income when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars one per cent.; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one quarter of one per cent.; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.

Two and one-half per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

Provincial Revenue Tax, $3.00 per capita (residents of Victoria City excepted.)

CORNELIUS BOOTH.
Assessor, and Collector.

January 2nd 1897. ja12

NOTICE.

CANCELLATION OF RESERVATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Reservation placed on Crown Lands, situated at Frederick Arm, notice of which was published in the British Columbia Gazette, and dated 1st November, 1895, is rescinded, in so far as, but no further than, it relates to a certain parcel of unsurveyed land which may be approximately described as follows:—Commencing at a point on the shore of the north end of Frederick Arm, situated about half a mile west of the entrance to Estero Basin; thence north 40 chains; thence west 40 chains; thence south 40 chains, more or less, to the shore line, and thence east, following the shore to the place of commencement containing 160 acres, more or less.

GEO. B. MARTIN,
Chief Commissioner of Lands & Works.

Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B.C., 7th April, 1897. ap

NOTICE.

We hereby give notice that we intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the city of Victoria, at its next sitting, for a transfer to Alex. Cameron of the license now held by us, to sell wines, beers and spirits by retail, upon the premises known as the Rock Bay Hotel, situated corner of Work and Bridge street.

ALEXR SIMPSON.
my9 GEORGE BASSET.

MATERNITY HOME for married ladies, 190 Johnson street. Applicants please apply at the Home, or to Mrs. Higgins, Cadboro Bay road, or Mrs. Finmerfelt, Pemberton road.

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a strong presumption of guilt arises against him, although in mercy to a supposed criminal, the law permits no comment or allusion to be made on his failure to go into the witness box. In a civil case, if a party withholds evidence, ocular or verbal, which would decide the case for or against him, it is the subject of the gravest comment. I am not sure that this inference against the City is not displaced in this case; whilst the wreckage is in possession of the City, it is at the garbage wharf, and the plaintiff can inspect it as well as anyone else, that is, what of it remains there; and we have also the evidence of Bell that so far as he recollects, there was only one broken yoke hanger or stirrup. But then he tells us, and this is most important again, that there was one missing yoke hanger, or stirrup. This missing stirrup, if it be one, or yoke hanger, might, and probably would, tell the whole tale. In the absence of evidence by the City, and of Mr. Bell's sixty day's investigation, which the City might have brought before you, it is for you to draw your own inferences and conclusions, whether favorable to the Corporation or unfavorable. You will also consider what effect, if any, the laying of these two stringers by the tramway company to carry the rails had on the stability of the bridge, whether it unduly increased the load, and also the effect of cutting the planking, whether the act had or had not any effect by casting the weight on the already overburdened side, where the rails were laid, instead of in some measure distributing the burden. There is also some evidence to show that the constant screwing up of the braces was injurious. These are all matters for your consideration as against the Corporation.

Now about the Tramway Company. Very little of what I have been saying can be made to apply to them. You must always bear in mind that they came into prominence only on the 1st of May, or a little over three weeks before the disaster. Their neglects or defaults date only from then, for, although Mr. Wilson was to furnish me with authorities showing that the Railway Company were responsible for the acts and defaults of their predecessors, he has not done so, and, as at present advised, I am of opinion that they are in no way responsible for the doings of any company which preceded them. It was hinted by Mr. Wilson that the change of companies was only a shuffle, but there is nothing to show that it was not bona fide, and indeed Mr. McKilligan's testimony shows it to have been so. He was appointed Receiver by the Supreme Court and continued as such until the debenture holders took charge and he became Receiver for them, and so continued until the first of May, when the new company presumably under purchase from the debenture holders, took charge, wiping the former Company altogether out of existence. From the 7th of June, 1895, until the 8th of January, '96, the property was in the hands and management of the Supreme Court, and the evidence shows the same cars and traffic were operated on the bridge as afterwards. If the accident had happened then who would have been responsible? The new company merely carried on the business in the same way as had been going on for the preceding four year. Nothing had happened to cause them to doubt the sufficiency of the bridge and in the three weeks they had had possession they could hardly be expected to have made an examination. However, they were fully responsible for the manner in which the cars were managed on the 26th of May, and if the car was overloaded and liability ensues for such overloading, they are responsible therefor. It has been urged that the unfortunate Mr. Gordon brought about his own death by voluntarily travelling in an overloaded car, was guilty of contributory negligence as it is called. I do not think that is so. Contributory negligence cannot be shown by establishing the fact that if the sufferer had taken some course or exercised some precaution or control altogether antecedent to the happenning, the accident might not have occurred. A man cannot be deemed guilty of contributory negligence if he does what 99 out of every 100 would do and not one man out of a hundred would have hesitated to have crossed Point Ellice bridge in the car that day, loaded although it was. You need not trouble yourselves about that question, that is the contributory negligence of Mr. Gordon having brought about his own death practically.

(His Lordship then put to the jury the questions numbered 1, 2 and 3 as below.) His Lordship continued: After having answered the above questions, please say whether in your belief any of the substituted stirrups put in by the Corporation broke either at the welds or otherwise. These questions, if exhaustively answered, as I have no doubt they will be, ought to decide the case. Mr. Wilson, however, has asked me to submit a number of other questions of which I allow the following: (His Lordship then put the further questions below.)

His Lordship continued: Having disposed of these questions, you will then turn your attention, if necessary, to the question of damages. Damages are entire as against both defendants if liable. In estimating them, we must discard all sentiment and feeling. They must not be vindictive or exemplary, simply because you may think the Corporation or the Company had been negligent, or even unpardonably reckless. You must remember in the case of Corporation that it is a body of innocent ratepayers who will have to foot the bill. Not the officers or members of the Corporation any further than as ratepayers. You must give Mrs. Gordon fair and reasonable compensation for her pecuniary loss, not damages for the pain and sorrow of being deprived of her husband, or the children of their father. In estimating this, you are by no means bound to calculate his life and income upon insurance principles and allow the plaintiff the capitalization of her husband's income of $125 per month during the whole of his expectant life of 21 years. To do so would be to leave wholly out of consideration the contingencies of existence and fortune. Mr. Gordon might have been earning an income of $125 this month, and the next, through no fault of his, he might have been out of employment, without any prospect of work, and his wife and children dependent upon him. Or, on the other hand, he might have been stricken with paralysis or some other disease which would render him helpless for his expectant life, even if he had lived to the last day. All such contingencies have to be taken into account. You cannot safely act the part of insurers or guarantors that for 21 years Mr. Gordon would earn $125 per month. You must take into full consideration the risks and chances of life, and return such a fair and reasonable amount as (taking also into account that, through her husband's prudence, Mrs. Gordon has already received $5,000) you think she ought fairly to receive.

The questions submitted were:

1. Q.: What was the proximate, that is to say, the immediate cause of the accident?

A.: We find the accident was caused by the breaking of a hanger. This we consider proved by the fact that one was broken, and no other strain so great could have been put upon it at the time of the accident as that caused by the cars passing over it; we further think the missing hanger strengthens this conclusion.

2. Q.: Was the Corporation blameable for such cause, and how?

A.: Yes, because having been made aware of the bad condition of the bridge, through the report of the engineer and otherwise, they attempted repairs, but the work was not done sufficiently well to strengthen the structure. In our opinion it was their duty to first ascertain the carrying capacity of the bridge before allowing such heavy cars to pass over it.

3. Q.: Was the accident due to any act or negligence on the part of the railway, and, if so, describe such act or negligence.

A.: No.

After having answered the above questions, please say whether in your belief any of the substituted stirrups put in by the Corporation broke, whether at the welds or otherwise, and how.

There is no evidence to show, in our opinion the stirrups must have broken at the welds, otherwise it would have been attached to the floor beam.

Q.: Did the Corporation at the time of the repairs made in 1892 know the plan and design of the bridge, the method of construction, and the nature of the material employed and the capacity of the bridge?

A.: No.

Q. If not, could the Corporation have readily acquired that information, and did they refrain from so doing?

A. Yes.

Q. Did the Corporation assume entire control and management of the bridge, and if so, when?

A. Yes; January, 1891.

Q. Did the company first begin to run big cars across the bridge before or after the Corporation assumed control of the bridge?

A. After.

Q. Did the Corporation, with a view to increased traffic and the use by the company of larger cars, make any alterations in the bridge?

A. Yes.

Q. Were such alterations, if any done properly, having regard to the intended use by the company of large cars, such as the one in which the deceased was carried?

A. No.

Q.: Did the then company in 1892, with the consent of the Corporation, make any alterations in the bridge?

A.: Yes.

Q.: Were such alterations by the company proper, having regard to the intended use by the company of large cars, such as the one in which the deceased was carried?

A.: It might have been better.

Q.: Was the bridge, after the changes made by the Corporation and Company, strong enough to carry the large cars alone? Ditto, when loaded to their fullest capacity?

A.: No.

Q.: Was the car in which the deceased was carried overloaded at the time of the accident?

A.: No.

Q.: Did the Company, with the consent of the Corporation, use cars of a size and weight beyond the strength of the bridge to carry?

A.: Yes.

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THE CRUEL CURLING IRON.

"An awful catastrophe befel Miss Gertrue Van Bloke, of Litchfield, last Sunday morning. She was curling her hair for church when she accidentally dropped the curling iron down her neck. We don't mean her neck exactly, it was more down her back, and yet the expression isn't correct. She dropped it down between her clothing and the frog of her back, and it went sizzling and frying down, down, down, until it went beyond her reach. The scene which followed was awful! Gertrude jumped up and down like a Comanche Indian at a snake dance and hollered Fire! Fire! Ouch! Police! Murder! Jemently! Vow-vow vow! using many expressions that seemed to indicate that she was in pain. In the meantime the house was filled with the odor of baked backbone.

"Her parents came rushing into the room and found Gertrude executing the coonjine, and thought her crazy. The old man dashed a pitcher of water on her, the mother threw a quilt over her to put it out. But the curling iron was still getting in its work. Gertrude tried to tell them what was the matter, but she could only gasp:

"You old idiots, take it out, take it out!"

"But her frightened and puzzled parents didn't know what she meant and thinking her violently insane got a rope and tied her. The curling iron then turned over and baked the skin from the vertebrae and commenced to cook her floating ribs. She kicked and squalled like a camp-meeting of cats, and the neighbors came running in.

"Finally she managed to tell what was the matter and her mother cut open her corset with a case-knife and the curling iron fell out, covered with cuticle and smelling like hog-killing time and fried cracklins. The doctor says her back looks like the pattern of a crazy quilt or the map of Cuba after a revolution. He says she had a very narrow escape. The jibboom of the pylorus, he says, is badly sacrificed, while the base of the dorsal fin is fricaseed so seriously that amputation may be necessary."—Hillsboro, S.D., News.

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Trial of the "Fischer Brothers" Proceeds—Sealers Prepare for Behring Sea.

Though shipping has been light for the past few months, business cannot be looked upon as going backward. In fact, taking the words of a prominent shipper, business prospects are better this year than ever before. The coming of the numerous fleet of vessels to the Royal Roads for orders last year was not a mere happening; it was a precedent adopted that will be followed up more extensively during the coming months, the plan having been found to work alike to the advantage of the sailing master and the charterer.

"Why," said a shipping man yesterday, "the greater number of sailing vessels visiting Northern Pacific waters are under the British and Norwegian flags, and these find it of greater convenience to come to a British port of call than to go elsewhere for orders. Therefore, the Royal Roads being centrally located between all British Columbia and Washington points, its advantages are bound to be recognized by sailing men."

As will be remembered many of the fleet in the roads went from here to Portland last year, having first received orders to come North off the coasts of Oregon and California, and it is probable this will be the course of all the indefinite charters again this year. The lumber trade is looked upon as very promising, and if expectations are realized all the coast sawmills of the province will before long be kept running night and day. In some of the late shipping reports three charters are quoted wrongly. These are the barks Eurydice, Florence Stella and Patterdale, all three of which load at Moodyville instead of on the Sound as stated. The first mentioned, coming from the Asiatic side, loads for the United Kingdom, while the others, on their way from South American ports, will receive cargoes for Australia, the Florence Stella for Freemantle and the Potterdale for either Freemantle or Geraldton.

PREPARING FOR BEHRING SEA.

Behring sea is the Mecca of the sealers' hopes at present. Their spring operations have been gloomy failures, the catches of over twenty vessels not having totalled much more than would have been secured by two of the fleet in the palmy days of the industry. Compelled to put to sea when weather conditions were unfavorable, to pay wages which many of the expert hunters no longer consider remunerative, to use antiquated weapons, and lastly to accept prices that hardly pay the cost of getting the skins, the venturer in the sealing industry has nowadays great odds to contend against. Still, for all, no sealing man likes to give up until he is compelled to, and the coming preparations for Behring sea go on just the same as in years gone by, only not so extensively. The schooner Ocean Belle is on Turpell's way undergoing overhauling, and to-day the Arielos will be hauled out of the water to have a new false keel adjusted.

LAST BUT ONE.

Yesterday the Enterprise, the last schooner but one of the coast sealing fleet that will return to port before entering Behring sea, arrived in harber. She brings a catch for her spring cruise of only 38 skins. She was one of the vessels late in leaving here and her skipper, Captain Todd, reports nothing but rough weather on his voyage. Captain Todd is still another navigator who has sighted the General Siglin, and was probably the last alongside that forlorn craft. He fell in with it 150 miles north of Queen Charlotte islands, and would have towed it into some harbor had he had a hawser strong enough for the work. Captain Todd spoke the Mary Ellen before meeting the General Siglin, and that vessel had a catch of 300 skins.

BRUSHES THE ROCKS.

Referring to the arrival of the steamship Chittagong, which left this port at noon on Sunday, the Portland Oregonian says: "While passing Oak point her tiller chain parted, and she became unmanageable, and, before an anchor could be let go, or her headway checked, the strong current and ebb tide caught her and set her over against the rocks just below the wharf. There is about 80 feet of water at this point, and her position at first was thought to be dangerous. She backed away from the rocks uninjured, however, and proceeded on her journey."

THE "FISCHER BROTHERS" CASE.

Captain Todd and crew of the sailing schooner Enterprise, which arrived from the sealing grounds yesterday afternoon, gave evidence before Collector Milne in the case of the American schooner Fischer Brothers, seized some time ago by Constable J. S. Sealey, on the charge of entering a port other than a port of entry on the West coast and of interfering with the Indians in their arrangements with the sealers. The Enterprise was for a long time unable to secure an Indian crew, and Captain Todd and his men held the Fischer Brothers largely blameable.

TACOMA GETS THE TERMINUS.

"Tacoma has secured the American terminus of another Oceanic steamship line. It has been established by the French government for a monthly service to the Marquesas islands, in the Southern Pacific ocean. The announcement is official, having been received from H. F. Tyson, the French consular agent at Portland. Bids have been invited for the maintenance of steamer service on the route after October 1, and to continue until 1900. The purpose of the line is to give means of transportation to the French mail and government supplies to its possessions in the South seas.

MARINE NOTES.

The steamer Thistle, which sailed for West coast points last evening carried as passengers Captain W. Cox, F. W. Flint, D. Kirkwood, S. Fox, F. J. Dawley, Mr. Hoonan, A. Griffin and W. Van Alman.

The City of Kingston was late in arriving and departing yesterday owing to having waited for the Ward & Vokes theatrical company at Tacoma.

The N. P. steamship Olympia is due to arrive at the Outer wharf from Tacoma en route to the Orient to-day.

Steamer Maude returned from New Westminster last evening. She will leave for Texada to-day.

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THE WEALTH OF YUKON.

Extracts From Ogilvie's Report on the El Dorado of the North.

In Mr. Wm. Ogilvie's report on the Yukon district tales of fabulous wealth are told, which, coming from any other source, would be received with much doubt. But the statements from the government explorer are such as to challenge confidence. Writing to the government from Fort Cudahy on September 6, 1896, Mr. Ogilvie says: "I am very much pleased to be able to inform you that a most important discovery of gold has been made on a creek called Bonanza creek, an affluent of the river known here as the Klondike. It is marked on the maps extant as Deer river, and joins the Yukon a few miles above the site of Fort Reliance. The discovery was made by G. W. Cormack, who worked with me in 1887, on the coast range. The indications are that it is a very rich location—indeed, the richest yet found—and as far as work has been carried on it realizes expectations. It is only two weeks since it was known, and already about 200 claims have been staked on it, and the creek is not yet exhausted. It and its branches are considered good for 300 or 400 claims. Besides these there are two other creeks above it, which, it is confidently expected, will yield good pay, and if they do so we will have from 800 to 1,000 claims on this river, which will require more than 2,000 men for their proper working. Between Deer river (or Klondike) and Stewart river a large creek called Indian creek flows into the Yukon, and rich prospects have been found on it, and no doubt it is in the gold-bearing country between Klondike and Stewart rivers, which is considered by all the old miners the best and most extensive gold country yet found. Scores of them would prospect it but for the fact that they cannot get provisions up there, and it is too far to boat them up from here in small boats. This new find will necessitate an upward step on the Yukon, and help the Stewart river region.

"News has just arrived from Bonanza creek that three men worked out $75 in four hours the other day, and a $1,200 nugget has been found, which assures the character of the ground, namely, coarse gold and plenty of it, as three times this can be done with sluice boxes. You can fancy the excitement here. It is claimed that from $100 to $500 per day can be made off the ground that has been prospected so far. As we have about 100 claims on Glacier and Miller, with 300 or 400 in this vicinity next year, it is imperative that a man be sent in here to look after these claims and all land matters, and it is almost imperative that the agent be a surveyor. Already on Bonanza creek they are disputing about the size of claims."

As might be supposed, the discovery caused great excitement. Of this, under date of November 9, Mr. Ogilvie says: "When it was fairly established that Bonanza creek was rich in gold, which took a few days, for Klondike had been prospected several times with no encouraging results, there was a great rush from all over the country adjacent to Forty Mile. The town was almost deserted. Men who had been in a chronic state of drunkenness for weeks were pitched into boats as ballast, and taken up to stake themselves a claim, and claims were staked by men for their friends who were not in the country at the time. All this gave rise to such conflict and confusion, there being no one present to take charge of matters, the agent being unable to go up and attend to the thing, and myself not yet knowing what to do, that the miners held a meeting, and appointed one of themselves to measure off and stake the claims, and record the owner's name in connection therewith, for which he got a fee of $2, it being, of course, understood that each claim-holder would have to record his claim with the Dominion agent, and pay his fee of $15.

"Before closing, I may say that every report that comes in from Bonanza creek is more encouraging than the last. Prospecting has only begun, and up to the date of mailing, November 22nd, very rich prospects have been found on the few claims prospected on; from one dollar to the pail of dirt up to twelve dollars are reported, and no bed rock found yet. This means from $1,000 to $12,000 a day per man sluicing. The excitement is intense, but at this season of the year it is naturally very local."

Again, on December 9th, Mr. Ogilvie adds: "Since my last the prospects on Bonanza creek and tributaries are increasing in richness and extent until now it is certain that millions will be taken out of the district in the next few years. On some of the claims prospected the pay dirt is of great extent and very rich. One man told me yesterday that he washed out a single pan of dirt on one of the claims on Bonanza, and found $14.25 in it. Of course that may be an exceptionally rich pan, but $5 to $7 per pan is the average on that claim, it is reported, with five feet of pay dirt and the width yet undetermined; but it is known to be 30 feet. Even at that figure, the result at nine to ten pans to the cubic foot and 500 feet long, will be nearly $4,000,000 at $5 per pan. One-fourth of this would be enormous. Another claim has been prospected to such an extent that it is known there is about five feet pay dirt, averaging $2 per pan, and width not less than 30 feet. Enough prospecting has been done to show that there are at least 15 miles of this extraordinary richness, and the indications are that we will have three or four times that extent, if not all equal to the above, at least very rich."

The last reference to the discovery is on January 23 of this year, when Mr. Ogilvie concludes: "Placer prospects continue more and more encouraging and extraordinary. It is beyond doubt that three pans on different claims on Eldorado turned out $204, $212 and $216, but it must be borne in mind that there were only three such pans, though there were many running from $10 to $50."

THE WORLD OF SPORT

Professionals in Plenty for To-morrow's Cycle Races at the Oak Bay Track.

The New Rifle Range at Oak Bay Approved—Nanaimo Wants a Ball Game.

From present appearances the pros will be in the majority at the opening race meet of the season at Oak Bay park to-morrow, and the races in this class should be the most interesting of any professional events in the local history of the reigning sport. The latest professional racing men to enter are the giant Abendroth with Eddie Allen, from Portland; "Jimmy" Jones and George Sharick, of Tacoma; Mulvaney, from Seattle; Davies and Griffith, of Everett; Rucker, the cosmopolitan, and Spain and Lester, from the Terminal City. Deeming has not yet made his entry, but he is always to be depended upon to be wherever races are to be ridden and won. If his last season's luck remains with him to-morrow, he will be obliged to hurry as he never has before—for the tandem is to give the pace for all races, and loafing will be a thing of the past. The meet to-morrow being the very first of the season in the Northwest, it is impossible as yet to gauge the relative merits of the numerous competitors. They are still this year unknown quantities.

The amateur list includes two promising colts from Tacoma who are also in for the tandem race if that event fills. Hunter and Tyler are expected from Nanaimo; Willard from Vancouver; Marshall in all probability from Westminster; and a dark horse or two from up the line. These with Penwill and Wolff of Victoria give guarantee of sharp contests, particularly as pacemaking is to be provided for the amateurs as well as the "pros." The races are to be started at 2 sharp, and run through strictly by the card.

THE RIFLE.

THE NEW RANGE APPROVED.

Hon. Col. Baker, himself a veteran soldier and experienced rifleman, accompanied by Col. Peters, D.O.C., His Worship Mayor Redfern, and Mr. W. S. Gore, deputy commissioner of lands and works, paid a visit yesterday to Oak Bay for the purpose of inspecting the range there which it is proposed to give to the military riflemen in the near future. Henley's range having been forbidden them, they are at present deprived of any ground upon which to develop their skill. The new range was viewed from every hand yesterday, and the inspecting party agreed that from the standpoint of public safety no fault could possibly be found with it. In fact it promises to be the convenient and easily reached range of which Victorians have so long been in need.

BASEBALL.

NANAIMO WANTS A GAME.

The sporting editor of the COLONIST is in receipt of a telegram from Will F. Norris of Nanaino, a gentleman prominent in all branches of sport, asking "can Victoria send an amateur baseball team here for Tuesday morning?"

Investigation discloses that the Amities refuse to be resurrected, but there are surely sufficiently enthusiastic men among some of the younger clubs to give the Coal City battle. Will some one of these communicate with the COLONIST as quickly as possible?

LACROSSE.

VANCOUVER'S VISITING TEAM.

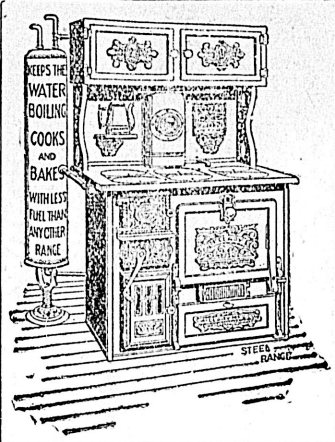
Vancouver lacrosse men are far from feeling discouraged over their defeat at Westminster Saturday; they are in fact confident of retrieving themselves next Monday when they meet Victoria on Caledonia park in the first match here of the season. The "home" of the boys in grey selected for this approaching engagement is said to be particularly strong, Williams being ably supported by Ken Campbell, Hawman, McGuire (a new player but a promising one), Quann and fleet-footed Dave Smith. The young players of last year included on the team—Keynolds, Barr and Wright—are much improved and are looked to to fully redeem themselves on the Queen's Birthday.

BOUNDARY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

A Narrow Strip of Land on the Kootenay Border in Dispute.

There are questions pending with the United States regarding boundary lines in many portions of the Dominion. The most important is in regard to the boundary between British Columbia and the State of Washington. Some of the richest gold fields on the continent lie close to the border there, Rossland itself being only eight miles from the line. Some four years ago the government of British Columbia directed attention to the lack of boundary marks. The completion of the Alaska survey set free last year Messrs. McArthur and St. Cyr of the boundary commissioners' staff to look into the matter. Deputy Minister Burgess says: "It seems, however, that there is a complication on this part of the 49th parallel, over and above that due to the mere lack of monuments. It appears that for a considerable distance in the Boundary Creek and Grand Prairie regions there is evidence of two lines having been surveyed, marked and cut out. These lines are about 100 yards apart; both, it is stated, are equally well cut out, and were apparently run about the same time, but the monuments on the northern line are pulled down very completely, while those on the south line are standing in good condition. To the east of Boundary Creek the mounuments are in ruins in the south line and are standing on the north line, while at Boundary Creek there are monuments standing on both lines. At Grand Prairie the land is being farmed by United States citizens up to the north line. There is nothing of record here in connection with the survey of the international boundary which would throw any light upon this complication, and the condition of affairs is one which may possibly lead to grave trouble, especially in view of the fact that this portion of the boundary is in the immediate neighborhood of the recently discovered rich mineral deposits of the Kootenay mining region.

To fully ascertain the meaning of this duplication of lines, it will be necessary to obtain from the Imperial authorities a copy of the field notes of the line which was surveyed by the Royal Engineers, in concert with a United States commission, about 35 years ago. Mr. Johnston, chief geographer of this department, was sent to England last June to procure copies of the field notes and descriptions of this as well as of other portions of the line between Canada and the United States. The lack of the original survey records of those portions of the boundary which have been defined not by natural features but by artificial monuments is seriously felt when a re-establishment of the line or, as in this case, a supplementary determination is desired. Mr. Johnston's unfortunate illness, however, rendered his return necessary before his object had been accomplished. In the meantime the services of Messrs. McArthur and St. Cyr have been utilized towards making a connection between the Dominion lands surveys of the railway belt at Reveistoke and the boundary line at the place mentioned. Their triangulation, when finished, will serve not only to define the astronomical position of the points in question, but will also afford points of connection for the explorations of the geological survey in the Kootenay mining region. Unfortunately, on account of the excessive quantity of smoke from bush fires and unfavorable weather in the early part of the season, their survey has not been completed. The terminal point is near the town of Nakusp, about midway between Revelstoke and the boundary line. Another season's work will be necessary to complete the connection."



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